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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—T. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTOH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 1, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 180 & 184, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSEN, 19, Rue Monnaie, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTOH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINSEN & Co., Manila.

CHINA.—Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELLO & Co., Seacow, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NIXON & Co., Foochow, HEDDERLEY & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, 5,000,000 Dollars. Reserve Fund, 1,300,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—Hon. W. KESWICK.
E. R. BELLIUS, Esq. WILHELM REINER, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
H. HOFFMANN, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq.
A. MEYER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " " "
" 12 " " 5 " " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.
D. A. J. OROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.
Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits.
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.
EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

TRADE MARK.

SUPERIOR TO ALL SIMILAR PREPARATIONS.
VOGEL & Co.,
Sole Agents for China.
Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my19

FOR SALE.

THE British Barque RIFLEMAN, Capt. Bishop, will be sold by Public Auction at SAIGON, on the 16th Instant.

ROZARIO & Co.
Hongkong, April 5, 1879. ap16

Intimations.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date, Mr H. M. BLANCHARD will act as AGENT of the above Company.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, April 1, 1879. ap11

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

MR A. M. ROZA PEREIRA, is hereby authorized to SIGN BILLS OF LADING by the Company's Steamers.

H. M. BLANCHARD, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, April 1, 1879. ap11

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.
In the Goods of Woo Sing, Deceased.

" " YUNG WOH, " " " DOO CHOY, "

NOTICE is hereby given, that in accordance with the Provisions of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, Section 3, an Order has been made by the Honorable Sir JOHN SMALE, Knight, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, limiting the time for CREDITORS and OTHERS to send in their CLAIMS against the above Estates to WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of April, 1879, on or before which date, all Claims must be proved, otherwise, they will not be included in the Scheme of Division.

All Persons indebted to the said Estates, are required to make immediate Payment to—
C. B. PLUNKET, Official Administrator.
Hongkong, April 7, 1879. ap14

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

AN EIGHTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TAELS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 8th April, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th April.
Vouchers will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 9th April, inclusive.

By Order,
RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, April 1, 1879. my7

ROMARIA A. SANCHEZ.

PROJECTA-SE fazer uma romaria a população do grande Apostolo da Indica, S. Francisco Xavier, sabendo d'aqui ás 8 horas da tarde de Sábado, 3 de Maio p.v., (13 de lus) e de Sanchon no Domingo a hora mais conveniente. Das quatro romarias que se fizeram n'este século, em Dezembro de 1808, Agosto de 1827, Dezembro de 1869, e 8 de Maio de 1874, esta ultima foi a mais bem succedida em consequencia da falta de ventos impetuosos n'esse mez em que a morçõ do Nordeste cessa de todo.

O preço de bilhetes incluindo comida será \$5 por cada romeiro.
J. J. DA SILVA e SOUZA, Secretario.

Hongkong, Dia de Annunciação, 1879. m8

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving HONGKONG on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

Intimations.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

CALCUTTA SUN HATS and HELMETS in New Shapes.
CHRISTY'S SUMMER STRAW and FELT HATS.
ELLWOOD'S EXTRA LIGHT PATENT AIR CHAMBER HELMETS.
FRENCH LIGHT SUMMER BOOTS & SHOES, CANVAS SHOES.

ELECTRO-PLATED ICE PAILS, ICE TONGS, ICE SHOVELS, ICE PITCHERS.
The New ELECTRO-PLATED READING LAMPS for Kerosine, perfectly safe.
ELECTRO-PLATED CIGAR LAMPS, LAWN TENNIS BATS and BALLS.
POCKET SIPHONIAS and WATERPROOF COATS.

AUTOMATON UMBRELLAS, PERFUMERY and TOILET SOAPS.
INDIA RUBBER AIR BEDS, CUSHIONS and PILLOWS.
The New CHIT BOOKS. MAPS OF AFGHANISTAN.
CAFETIERES, COCOA-NUT MATTING & MATS.
New SCARVES, BRACES and COLLARS.

The PATENT LIFE JACKETS and SWIMMING BELTS.
MEERSCHAUM and BRIAR PIPES. DE LA RUE'S and AMERICAN PLAYING CARDS.
The Celebrated HUNYADI JANOS MINERAL WATER.
SPRATT'S FIBRINE DOG BISCUITS. MAGNIFYING GLASSES.

MAPS OF CHINA.
A Large COLLECTION OF WORKS OF REFERENCE.
FAMILY SCALES.
OVERLAND TRUNKS.
DOG COLLARS.
ALBUMS.
SCRAP BOOKS.
SHIPMAN'S OFFICE FILES.
COPYING PRESSES.

CLARETS, SAUTERNES and OTHER LIGHT SUMMER WINES.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, April 2, 1879.

EIGHT PER CENT. SILVER LOAN

THE CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT,

Authorized by Imperial Decree dated the 14th Day of the Ninth Moon of the Fourth Year of Kwang-Sü (9th October, 1878.)

Haiquan Taels 1,750,000—Shanghai Taels 1,949,500 Stock.

In Bonds of Shanghai Taels 500 each, bearing Interest from 11th April, 1879.
The First Instalment of Interest being payable on 5th October, 1879, in HONGKONG and SHANGHAI.

The Bonds are redeemable at PAR WITHIN SIX YEARS (1884) by HALF-YEARLY (ACCORDING TO THE CHINESE CALENDAR) DRAWINGS.
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN HONGKONG.

PRICE OF ISSUE—PAR.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION hereby invites SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR SHANGHAI TAELS 1,787,000 of 8 PER CENT. Bonds at the issue PRICE OF PAR, payable as follows:—
SHANGHAI TAELS 10 per cent. on application.
90 " 15 days after allotment.
100 "

The Bonds will bear interest at the rate of Shanghai Taels eight per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly according to the Chinese Calendar, as per annexed Schedule, at the Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in Hongkong (at current rate of Exchange for Demand Bills on Shanghai) and Shanghai.

The first payment of Interest on the full amount of each Bond will be payable on 5th October, 1879, at the above-mentioned places.

The Bonds will be redeemed at par within six years (1884) by 11 half-yearly Drawings, commencing 5th October, 1879, of Shanghai Taels 162,500 each, the balance of the Loan, Shanghai Taels 169,000, being paid off on 9th August, 1884.

The Drawings will take place in Hongkong in February and August in each year, and the Bonds so drawn will be paid off at par on the respective dates specified in annexed Schedule at the Offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in Hongkong (at current rate of Exchange for Demand Bills on Shanghai) and Shanghai, after which dates interest on the Bonds so drawn will cease.

The Loan has been authorized by an Imperial Decree, dated 9th of October, 1878.

The Loan, principal and interest, is specially secured by the hypothecation of the Imperial Maritime Customs' Revenue of the ports of Shanghai, Foochow, Canton, Ningpo and Hankow—the five Ports which have the largest Customs' Revenue of the Empire—to the extent necessary for the due payment of interest and repayment of principal of the said Loan.

The special hypothecation of Customs' Revenue to meet the charge of the present Loan is constituted by the deposit with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of Customs' Bonds, signed by the Viceroy and Governors of the respective Provinces in which the Ports referred to are situated, which Bonds will be held by the Bank in trust for the holders of this Loan. These Customs' Bonds will be received, in case of need, in payment of Chinese Customs' Duties.

Certified Translations of the Official Documents authorizing the Loan, may be inspected at the Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong and Shanghai.

Default in payment of any instalment at the due date will render all previous payments liable to forfeiture.

If no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full; and if only a portion of the amount applied for is allotted, the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the payment of the final instalment.

Bonds to Bearer will be issued against Allotment Letters and Bankers' Receipt, Principal Interest Total.
1st Instalment due 5th October, 1879.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
2nd " 30th March, 1880.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
3rd " 23rd September, 1880.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
4th " 19th March, 1881.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
5th " 12th September, 1881.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
6th " 8th March, 1882.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
7th " 1st September, 1882.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
8th " 25th February, 1883.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
9th " 21st August, 1883.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
10th " 14th February, 1884.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81
11th " 9th August, 1884.....162,500.00...69,325.81...231,825.81

Shanghai Taels.....1,787,000.00 415,857.80 2,202,857.80

Applications (Forms of which can be obtained at the offices of the Bank) accompanied by a deposit of Shanghai Taels Ten per cent., will be received by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation until the Eleventh day of April, 1879, on which date the allotment will be made.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, AGENTS
JESSE & THE LOAN
(Signed) T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1879. ap11

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WILLIAM SALWAY in our Firm CEASED on the 1st Instant. Mr W. WILSON will Sign the Firm in Liquidation.

WILSON & SALWAY, Architects, &c.

WITH Reference to the above, I have admitted Mr. SOTHEBY GODFREY BIRD as a Partner; the Business will henceforward be continued under the Name of 'WILSON & BIRD.'

W. WILSON.
Hongkong, April 7, 1879. my7

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jyl

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly Manager of the Foochow Dock, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co.,
Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.
Hongkong, April 1, 1879. jys

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.
The Steamship "MERIONETHSHIRE" will be despatched on or about the 10th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DUNN, MELBYE & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 7, 1879. ap10

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.
The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Capt. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 13th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879. ap13

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "MORAY," Capt. BUTCHER, will leave for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879. ap16

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "ARRATON APOAR," Captain MILNE, will leave for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879. ap16

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship "LORD OF THE ISLES," shortly expected, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 2, 1879.

FOR MANILLA (DIRECT).
The Steamship "OLYMPIA," shortly expected, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 41 American Bark "T. A. GODDARD," Captain SMITH, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 12, 1879. ap12

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 41 American Bark "PENOBSCOT," Capt. CHIFFMAN, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 29, 1879. ap29

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND).
The 41 American Bark "THOS. FLETCHER," Capt. FLETCHER, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 29, 1879. ap29

FOR HONOLULU.
The 41 American Ship "REPUBLIC," Capt. HOLMES, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, April 1, 1879. my1

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 41 British Ship "ONEIDA," Capt. HARRIS, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, April 5, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 41 American Ship "EDITH," MANSON, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, March 28, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The 41 American Ship "PRIMA DONNA," LUNA, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, March 23, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 41 American Ship "CHARMER," Captain LUCAS, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 7, 1879.

FOR HAMBURG.
The 41 German Schooner "FORMOSA," BURSWART, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, March 17, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 41 American Ship "GOLDEN RULE," LEWIS, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1879.

FOR PORTLAND.
The 41 American Bark "STILLMAN B. ALLEN," TAYLOR, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 41 American Ship "BLACK HAWK," HOWLAND, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The 3/4 L.L.I. Norwegian Ship "UMARLIDE," TOBIASSEN, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 41 British Bark "HAZELHURST," GOUDY, Master.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract.

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY, Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PLOES of GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 751 and 752, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILL, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. Z. J. Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 15th April, 1879, at 2 P.M., at his residence, Green Mount,—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising—

English-made Cretonne covered Drawing-Room Suite, Black-wood Marble-top Centre Table, Side Tables, Tea-boys and Writing Table.

Carved Corner Whatnots, Card Table, Glass Book Case, Ningpo Inlaid Table, Chimney Glasses, Marble Clock, Engravings, Crystal Gasaliers and Gasbrackets, and Sofa Carpets.

Extension Dining Table, Side-board, Whatnots, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass-ware and Plated-ware, Brass-Bedstead, Double-winged Wardrobe with Plated-glass Door, Marble-top Toilet Table and Washstand, Wardrobes, Writing Desk, Copying Press, and one Chubb's Iron Safe.

1 Phetson and a Mare, formerly belonging to C. M. Kerr, Esq., SADDLERY,

&c., &c., &c. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 14th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 5, 1879. ap15

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Moray having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. ap12

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Arcton* Apoor, Capt. MILNE, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents. ap13

FROM LONDON, SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

THE Steamship *Galley* of Lorne, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 14th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents. ap14

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. FEIHO.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNÉES of Cargo per S. S. *Copernic* and *Ganga*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-morrow, the 3rd inst., at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Thursday, the 10th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. ap19

Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNÉES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Ex "Yangtze." H. L. c/o Mr. Marty, No. 1, case Arms, from Marseilles.

Ex "Ava." H. J. A. H. (in cross) No. 107, Aldridge Salmon & Co., 1 case Hosiery, from London.

Ex "Anadyr." A. M. Nos. 1/20, Mr. A. Marty, 20 cases Wine, from Marseilles.

Lieut. Joubert Hancé, 2 cases Wax, from Saigon. Hongkong, March 28, 1879.

Intimations.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors. Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my29

NOTICE.

Estate of JAMES GYE, Medical Attendant at the Chinese Government Coal Mine, near Kelung, Deceased.

CLAIMS against the above Estate should be lodged with the Undersigned not later than the 15th day of April, 1879.

A. FRATER, H. B. M.'s Consul. Tamsui, 12th March, 1879. ap11

Volume Seventh of the "CHINA REVIEW"

Now Ready.

No. 4.—Vol. VII.—OF THE—

"CHINA REVIEW" CONTAINS—

Jottings from the Book of Rites. Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.

The Ballads of the Shik-king. Translations of Chinese School-books. The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ang.

Alchimy in China. Appendix to Wylie's "Coins of the Ta-Ching Dynasty." "Hien Fung" Period. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries.—A Few Petty Additions to Dr. Douglas' Dictionary. Traits in China. Ancient Vases. Inheritance. Greeting the Spring. Adoption. The Term K'wai. Mongol and Yuan-pao. Chinese Coins.

Coronation of the King of Lochoo. The Ougur Alphabet. Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c. China Mail Office.

Hongkong, March 21, 1879.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

JOHANN FRIEDRICH, German brig, Capt. A. H. Kronke.—Wielor & Co.

GOLDEN FLEET, British barque, Capt. James Wiltshire.—Gilman & Co.

ONEIDA, British ship, Captain S. Olynas.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

UNANOS, Norwegian barque, Captain L. Berg.—Arnhold Karberg & Co.

TAIWAN, German barque, Captain O. Jessen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

WANTED a Situation, by a YOUNG PORTUGUESE, in any branch of Business. With First-class Recommendations. Address, A. B. C. ap16

NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be Closed for Public Business, on GOOD FRIDAY, the 11th, and EASTER MONDAY, the 14th Instant.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. OROMBIE, *Acting Manager*.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," J. THURBURN, *Acting Manager*.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," J. SOMERVILLE, *Manager*.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," E. SCHWEBELIN, *Acting Agent*.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager*.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.," R. H. BANERJEE, *Manager*.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "NINGPO."

R. Cass, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 14th inst., at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 9, 1879. ap14

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THE Building known as the LUSTANO THEATRE in EGIN STREET, with the Out-buildings adjoining.

These Premises, from their central position and considerable extent, would be very suitable for a SCHOOL-HOUSE, or for a FURNITURE WARE-HOUSE, BAZAAR, or STORE.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,

the 10th of April, 1879, at 11 A.M., on the Premises of Messrs F. BLACKHEAD & Co., Praya Central,—

(For account of the concerned.) Russian ROPE three and four strand, Bolt Rope, Rattline-stuff, Ambroline, Spun Yarn, Marline, Loglines, Leadlines, etc., etc.

Manila Rope and Galvanized Wire Rope of all sizes, Hubbuck's Paints and Oils, Soft Soap, Colza Oil, Cotton Waste, Flax and T.R. Packing, Suction Hose, Cotton Canvas, Galvanized and Iron Nails, Carpenter and Blacksmith's Tools, Shovels, Muskets, Rifles, Coffee, White Beans, Norwegian Beer, Wines, and other Ship Chandlery Ware of all descriptions.

(All more or less damaged by water.) TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery, in Bank Notes. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

F. RAPP, Auctioneer. Hongkong, April 9, 1879. ap10

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 8, *Edvard May*, American barque, 928, Chas. A. Johnson, Newcastle (N.S.W.), Feb. 8, Coal.—Geo. R. STEVENS & Co.

April 9, *Ningpo*, British steamer, from Canton.

April 9, *Hwai Yuen*, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

April 9, *Penodo*, British steamer, 652, Caln, Saigon April 4, Rice.—Metcorns & Co.

April 9, *Loudoun Castle*, British steamer, 1616, Maraball, Saigon April 5, Rice and Flour.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

April 9, *Merionethshire*, British steamer, 1254, Samuel Richards, London Feb. 16, via ports of call, and Singapore April 3, General.—DUFF, MELBAY & Co.

April 9, *Gordon Castle*, British steamer, 1281, Wm. Waring, Saigon April 5, Rice.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

April 9, *Yotung*, British steamer, 236, S. W. Goggin, Swatow April 8, General.—KWOK AOHONG.

April 9, H.M.S. *Lily*, from a cruise.

April 9, *China*, German steamer, 648, J. Ackermann, Shanghai April 5, General.—SIEMSEN & Co.

April 9, *Freyja*, German corvette, 1680, Von Nostitz, Shanghai April 4.

DEPARTURES.

April 9, *Esperance*, for Bangkok.

9, *Adria*, for Saigon.

9, *Galley* of Lorne, for Yokohama.

9, H.M.S. *Lily*, for a cruise.

9, *Emeralda*, for Manila.

9, *Ch-an*, Chinese corv., for Swatow.

CLEARED.

Wrecker, for Macao.

Ningpo, for Shanghai.

Lata, for Chofoo.

Ocean, for Kobe.

Dala, for Iolo.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Merionethshire*, from London, Miss Annie and Miss Alice Whyman, Dr. James Mann, Messrs M. Greenberg, and Wm. Boren.

Per *Yotung*, from Swatow, Mr. O'Flaherty, and 275 Chinese deck.

Per *China*, from Shanghai, Mr. Polegrin, and 15 Chinese.

Per *Penodo*, from Saigon, 7 Chinese.

Per *Loudoun Castle*, from Saigon, 45 Chinese deck.

Per *Gordon Castle*, from Saigon, 24 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Esperance*, for Bangkok, 2 Chinese.

Per *Adria*, for Saigon, 85 Chinese.

Per *Emeralda*, for Manila, 100 Chinese.

To DEPART.

Per *Ningpo*, for Shanghai, 80 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Penodo* reports: Light East and E.S.E. winds with fine weather and smooth water.

The British steamer *Loudoun Castle* reports: Experienced light winds with heavy showers of rain. At noon on the 8th, passed two steamers bound South, supposed to be the *Adria*.

The British steamer *Merionethshire* reports: Fine weather throughout, 8 p.m.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Gordon Castle* reports: Very fine weather, with light N.E. winds.

The British steamer *Yotung* reports: Light winds and fine weather throughout.

The German steamer *China* reports: Left Shanghai on the 5th inst. at 11 p.m., arrived at Hongkong on the 9th at 5 p.m., had light variable winds and dense fog for a day through Formosa Channel; on the 8th at 4 p.m., passed the English Mail and Co.'s S. S. *Yangtze* off the Brothers.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For HONGKONG and PAKHOI.—Per H.M.S. *Moore*, at 10.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 10th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—Per *Hwai Yuen*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For NINGPO, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For YOKOHAMA and HIOGO.—Per *Merionethshire*, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 11th inst.

For SAIGON.—Per *Pernambuco*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 12th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—Per *Douglas*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 12th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND CALCUTTA.—Per *Moray* and *Arcton* Apoor, at 2.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 16th inst.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—The British Contract Packet *Thibet*, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 13th April, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindisi or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—The United States Mail Packet *Alaska*, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th April, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, March 21, 1879. ap15

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—The French Contract Packet *Andary* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

HOURS OF CLOSING.

THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by both the British and French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.—5 P.M.—Money Order Office closes; Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Day of departure.—7 A.M.—Post Office opens.

10 A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

11 A.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.

11.10 A.M.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents until

11.30 A.M.—when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.40 A.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When left. Name. From.

Oct. 16, *Rowing*, Cardiff.

Nov. 19, *Hermann*, Bremen.

Nov. 21, *Fulda*, Hamburg.

Dec. 23, *Rosaire*, Cardiff.

Dec. 21, *Blenheim*, Flushing.

21, *Kong See* (s.), London.

23, *Glamis Castle*, Cardiff.

Feb. 2, *Vale o' Doon*, Antwerp.

12, *Edward Barrow*, Hamburg.

12, *South American*, Penarth.

12, *Vigilant*, Cardiff.

16, *Breconshire* (s.), Glasgow.

20, *Grosvont*, Cardiff.

23, *Monte Rosa*, Hamburg.

23, *G. O. Trufant*, Cardiff.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Swan Canal.

Glenagles. Glenearn.

Rankow. Breconshire.

Carrieks. Agnes Muir.

Atty Town. Fine.

Windover. Verre.

Whiteadder.

At Liverpool.

Adam M. Simpson.

Agamemnon (s).

At Cardiff.

John A. Briggs.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

at Victoria Peak was 72.0; the lowest 68.0. At the Harbour Master's office the highest registered rate was 81.0, and the lowest 69.0.

An Order in Council relating to the measurement of the tonnage of Danish Merchant Ships, dated 30th December, 1878, together with the Order in Council dated 29th February, 1868, which it amends, is published in the *Gazette*.

Notice is given in the *Gazette* that under instructions from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, His Excellency the Governor is pleased to recognize provisionally and until further orders, Herr Peter Kempermann as Vice-Consul for His Imperial German Majesty at this Port.

The Fancy Bazaar on behalf of the orphans of the Italian Convent, Caine Road, will, we observe, take place at that Institution on Monday next, the 14th inst. Mrs. Hennessy has consented to preside at one of the stalls.

The provisional appointment of Mr. J. J. Francis to be Acting Police Judge, in place of Mr. Justice Snowden, who goes home on two months' vacation leave, and ten months' leave on half-pay, is officially announced.

We learn from the Indian papers that the strict quarantine regulations imposed in Italy, presumably on account of the plague, have been withdrawn, and that no interference is now being made with the P. & O. or M. M. passenger traffic.

At the Marine Court to-day, John Howard, Charles Howard, and George Smith, seamen, belonging to the British ship *Oueda*, were charged with being absent without leave. The first and second defendants were ordered to forfeit eight days' pay each, they having committed two offences; and the third defendant was ordered to forfeit two days' pay.

We learn that a meeting of the supporters of the proposed Exchange was held this afternoon, at the City Hall, when there was a fair attendance of mercantile men of all classes. A Committee was appointed, consisting of 20 members, to make all necessary arrangements for organizing the institution. We believe that rooms have been taken in the Telegraph Building, ground floor; and it is hoped that the Exchange will be open by the 1st of May.

News has reached town of the loss of the Swedish bark *Capella*, Captain Andersen, whilst on her way from the Coast of Borneo to this port. No particulars are to hand, the telegram simply stating: "The *Capella* lost, inform insurance." The *Capella* was a vessel of 307 tons register; she left this on the 28th December last bound to Borneo, and it was during the return trip that she came to grief. The cargo was insured in Messrs Russell & Co's Office.

Last Saturday, a licensed junk, which arrived here shortly after the *Elizabeth Childs*, was suspected by the Chief Officer of the latter vessel to be the junk which made the piratical attack. A number of police were sent on board, and a strict search was made, but there was nothing found which in any way connected her with the attack. The only thing which led the Chief Officer to suspect her was the general appearance of the craft; but one junk being so nearly the counterpart of another, it is next to impossible to fix upon any one of them from a merely general likeness.

The Captain of H.M.S. *Modeste*, says the *Strait Times* of the 1st, "has received orders by telegram to proceed to Labuan at once, and the *Modeste* will leave here for that port to-night or early to-morrow morning. This movement, we believe, is made in consequence of some threatened complications connected with Spanish interference in Borneo, bearing especially upon the jealousy with which the Spanish authorities look upon the late cession by the Sultan of Brunel of territory to Mr Alfred Dent and Baron Overbeck."

The *North-China Daily News* does not seem to have been informed that, as explained by us at the time, the retirement of Sir Brooke Robertson was brought about by new regulations as to age, and vaguely conjectures that matters now pending in the interest of British commerce in China may not have been without their influence. Not regretting the retirement much, but hoping that he will enjoy, in his green old age, the *otium cum dignitate* which over-long service entitles him to expect, our contemporary writes:—

The opportunity, of course, now offers itself to the Government at Home, either to send us out a young and energetic man, free from pre-conceived Chinese notions—a man totally unable to speak Chinese or be regarded as a Sinciole—so that his mental vision and power might be clear to see and grasp the questions which not only to secure the interests of

British trade now, but to provide for its conservation in the future. It is a hopeful sign of the times, when it is seen that older servants of the Crown are willing to resign their appointments in favour of younger men, whoever they may be (if appointed), and it is to be wished that others who have won laurels in diplomacy under the old regime, will follow Sir Brooke Robertson's example, and leave it to men of younger mould, quicker grasp of intellect, and sterner determination of purpose, to grapple with the grave questions that are now cropping so thickly to the surface through the information brought by the so-called ambassadors who have visited Western lands, seemingly only for the purpose of adding to the scoff with which Foreigners are permitted to be treated, and to the detriment of British interests generally.

A DESPATCH published in to-day's *Gazette* acknowledging receipt of the Governor's despatch of the 28th December, enclosing the address adopted by the Legislative Council, expressive of the sympathy with Her Majesty universally felt here on intelligence arriving of the death of the Princess Alice, and also a copy of the proceedings of Council when the address was adopted. The Secretary of State for the Colonies writes:—

I have laid before the Queen the address of the Legislative Council, and Her Majesty was pleased to receive it very graciously, and I am commanded to express to you Her Majesty's thanks to the Council and people of Hongkong for this expression of sympathy in Her bereavement.

The following telegrams, from the Singapore papers to hand to-day, are new to us:—
Capetown, March 10.—The first reinforcements disembarked at Natal on the 5th instant. The relief of Ekowe will soon be attempted. There is no truth in the report that the Zulus have made overtures of Peace.

A raid by the Basutos has been repulsed by our troops.

London, March 29.—Earl Beaconsfield, in the House of Lords, replying to a question, said an enquiry into the depressed state of Trade would be resultless. It is possible an enquiry into the depreciation of Silver its effect in industry (1) hereafter necessary.

Bombay, March 30.—Major Sandeman's Camp at Bagban (1) Barghama has been attacked by 400 of the enemy, who were completely defeated and driven off with a loss of 145 men—the British loss being small.

The muddled words probably should be "and, of its effect on the Indian currency, may be hereafter necessary."

GENERAL GRANT'S replies to addresses and toasts in India have been characterized by very good taste. Though he is not an orator, says an Indian paper, he speaks unaffectedly and to the purpose. From another quarter we hear that "he has an undisguised contempt for display, and can only listen to an address without outward sign of impatience."

THE P. & O. steamer *Indus*, which left Southampton on the 27th February, had on board the heavy India and China Mail, and £37,868 in gold and silver, £30,000 and £20,000 being in bar gold and consigned to Bombay and Calcutta respectively, while £27,000 in dollars is for Penang, and £23,268, also in dollars, is for Hongkong.

THE N. C. D. News, mentioning the noteworthy fact that one day last week there was only one prisoner for trial at the Mixed Court—a pitiful-looking tramp—on the charge of stealing a basket of charcoal, says: "This minimum of crime in the Settlement is highly satisfactory, and may be taken as an evidence of the efficiency of the Police Force." Happy Shanghai!—whose detectives do not wear uniforms.

THE following important telegrams, which have not been received through Reuters Agency here, are taken from the Shanghai papers:—

(Via Russia.)
London, 2nd April.
Neither the Oriental Bank, nor the Chartered Mercantile Bank, pay any dividend for the half-year; the reserves being absorbed to meet the depreciation of securities.

The Chartered Mercantile Bank has resolved to reduce its China business.
(Via Suez.)
Berlin, 2nd April.
The Berlin Press states that it is probable that the increase in the Silver coinage will absorb \$5,000,000.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending April 6th, 1879:—

	European.	Chinese.
Monday, March 31st,	67	364
Tuesday, April 1st,	80	850
Wednesday, 2nd,	47	313
Thursday, 3rd,	63	271
Friday, 4th,	73	307
Saturday, 5th,	68	164
Sunday, 6th,	19	349
Total,	677	1,750
Grand total, 2,139.		

Police Intelligence.

At the Police Court to-day, Ching Ahlo, a shopman, was charged with having in his possession nine brass pans, manifestly intended for use in boiling or preparing opium. The pans were discovered by Inspectors Orley and Rivers, whilst they were searching for kerosene oil. The defendant was discharged, as there was no evidence of the pans having been recently used, and he had held a license for selling and preparing opium some sixteen years ago.

Luk Ahn, a cook, was fined \$15, with the alternative of fourteen days' imprisonment, for being found in possession of 7½ taels of prepared opium.

Chang Ahing, a coolie, was charged with being found in the unlawful possession of a brass candle belonging to a girl of a French man-of-war *Berguier*. Defendant stated that he had heard something was lost belonging to a man-of-war, and went to

look for it, as he knew that a man named Fu Tsai had got it. Fu Tsai would not give it up unless he received 40 cents, so defendant gave him that amount, and was in the act of taking the candle to the police when he was arrested. Mr. Cragh remanded the case for one week, admitting the defendant to bail in \$50.

William Dixon, seaman, U.S.S. *Ashelet*, was ordered to be sent on board his ship as a stowaway.

A number of men were fined for obstruction, and being out without lights or passes.

Sin Ahn, rafter, was found guilty of a very dishonourable action. It appears that he had been fined \$3, with the alternative of four days' imprisonment, for obstructing the footway at Queen's Road East; and Mr. Seth, the Chief Clerk, allowed him to leave the Court to fetch the money, as he represented himself to be the owner of the shop. As he never returned a distress warrant was issued, but there were no goods to levy on. The defendant was afterwards arrested. Mr. Cragh now ordered him to pay the fine, or go to gaol for four days.

China.

AMOK.

The British steamer *Friam*, Captain Butler, left on the 26th for Hongkong, Singapore, &c., with 651 Chinese passengers.

We learn that the Haifong of Amoy is in a very critical state, his life being almost despaired of. On the 25th his private physician was searching all over the town for some first quality cinnamon, to be used, we presume, in a potion for the sick man. The complaint is stated to be a dropsical swelling of one leg.

The *Tesal*, or Admiral, commanding the Chinese fleet in these waters, left Amoy on the 25th on a cruise of inspection to his southern stations. Such an occasion will, we believe, be a fitting opportunity for his subordinates to ingratiate themselves with His Excellency in the usual way.

We understand that the United States Charge d'Affaires at Peking, is shortly expected here en route to Formosa in company of the Hon. Mr. Denny, to settle the *Forest Belle* case.

News has reached us from Foochow that Commodore Wu, late of the Chinese corvette *Yang Wo*, was found dead at his residence. We learn that he was a British born subject, and was very much esteemed by his superior. It appears that he has been the means of protecting British-born Chinese and the Amoy people who are in the Imperial service, and we fear that his sudden demise will affect a great number of his protégés. Some three years ago he came here in the steamer *Fu Yung*, under instructions from the Governor General of Fokien, to inaugurate the new Regulations along the Sea Board of Fokien regarding the protection to be afforded to Chinese and Foreign ships meeting with bad weather or shipwreck.

SHANGHAI.

(N. C. D. News.)

The first general meeting of members of the Country Club to be established on the Bubbling Well Road, has been held at the Shanghai Club. The proceedings were private, but we understand that the proposed new Club is to be conducted purely on the "reciprocity" principle—a feature that has hitherto been overlooked in Shanghai.

John Robinson, chief mate of the British ship *Birker*, has been committed to take his trial on a charge of larceny, it being alleged that he has feloniously disposed of 28 bars of iron, part of the cargo. He is allowed bail, himself in a bond of \$400 and two sureties in \$200 each.

Whether a meeting of British subjects of Chinese descent, was held on Sunday at the Fung-hing-hong, to consider their position in reference to the question of their registration by H.M. Consuls, without the adoption of European dress. The question, we understand, was fully discussed, and it was decided to raise funds to test the point in a court of law. About 15,000 were subscribed in the room, and applications, it is said, are to be made to the Outposts for further support.

Japan.

YOKOHAMA.

(Herald.)

The members of the Yokohama United Club intend giving the retiring President, Mr. H. S. Wilkinson, a complimentary banquet prior to his departure for Shanghai. Mr. Wilkinson has rendered valuable services to the Club, especially with respect to the Library, and it has been deemed proper to give the above-mentioned well-deserved recognition of them.

The following paragraph is translated from the native official organ, the *Nichi Nichi Shinbun*:—"Mr. Godai, a wealthy merchant of Osaka, recently brought the sum of 1,500,000 yen in gold to Yokohama. He lent this amount of gold to the Hongkong and Shanghai, the Oriental, and the Chartered Mercantile Banks, and then borrowed Mexican dollars from them in its stead. These latter he is going to lend to the merchants of the native town so as to check the rise of dollars. The above is the report from Yokohama."

The public will learn with regret, not unmixed with some surprise, that the directors of the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China have finally, after much consideration, determined to close the branch which has for so many years been established here. Not alone to merchants, but also to banks, unquestionably Yokohama has been a rather disappointing place. The amount of business transacted has not proved sufficient to find profitable employment of capital for the support of so many branches as at one time were in operation here; the German Bank was the first to close, an example presently followed by the French Bank, leaving three English Banks in possession of the field; one of these now follows suit, leaving the entire banking business of the place to be transacted by the Oriental, and Hongkong and Shanghai Banks, two strong institutions certainly, and quite capable of transacting with ease all the monetary business of the place. But it may be open to question whether the limitation of banking to two institutions only may not be found to diminish those monetary facilities which a larger number of institutions, competing against each other for business, would be certain to afford. Be this, however, as it may, the Chartered Mercantile Bank absolutely retires, and it is too soon, as yet, to speculate on the probability of some other bank step-

ping in to divide with the two remaining banks the business of the place, but doubtless such an event will sooner or later occur. Of late years the transactions of the Chartered Mercantile Bank have dwindled; the directors operating in a spirit of extreme caution, have so far tied the hands of their former managers, that business has had to be refused, and customers have had to go elsewhere to obtain the facilities they required. The consequence of this has been that whilst the fixed working expenses of this branch could not well be diminished, its earnings each year became less, until a point was reached when it was no longer considered worth while to retain in operation the Yokohama branch of the institution. In operating to avoid the risk of any serious loss, the policy of the Directors has been, we believe, quite successful; but such extreme caution could not be indulged in save at the expense of confining within narrower and narrower limits the business of the Bank; and customers driven away at a time of need are not likely to be got back again, even should the former stringency by which they have been inconvenienced be proposed to be relaxed. We believe that the overtimidity of the Directors has sacrificed this branch; a Bank whose directors resolve to run no risks, must prove to be one in which the expenses will eat up most of the limited profits which, under such circumstances, it is possible to make. No doubt the narrow policy enforced by the Board upon the present manager's predecessors drove away business to more liberally managed banks, who have thriven on transactions which the Chartered Mercantile Bank allowed to pass them. Some time before Mr. Masfen, the present capable manager, was introduced here, so many customers had left the Bank that no amount of energy on his part, during the dull and unprosperous times with which men have latterly had to cope, could re-uscinate the Bank's former connections. We trust that, to whoever else he may be appointed, his capacity may be allowed a better scope, and a more promising opportunity, than it has had here.

Dismissals from Government departments, are now the order of the day. Owing to the number of factions that have had to be propitiated since the new order of things consequent upon the revolution, thousands of superfluous officers had to be taken on throughout the country, so much so that useless offices were created, and in many places something like five men were taken on to do one man's work. So long as the samurai formed a dangerous element, this redundancy had to be tolerated; but now that the former military class has been effectually disarmed, and is no longer feared, the time has come to lessen the number of drones in the Government service, and the fiat has accordingly gone forth through the mouth of the Mikado, to reduce the departments to the limit of efficiency, and thousands who have been maintained at the expense of the rest of the community will have to find other means of livelihood.

MAOAE.

(Rising Sun and Nagasaki Express.)

H.M.S. *Lapwing* leaves this morning (29th) on a cruise for firing practice, and will probably be absent about a week. H. R.M.S. *Ernak* is rapidly completing her repairs.

The Japanese corvette *Nishin Kan* arrived here from Yokohama on Tuesday last, on her way to ports in China, to which she is paying a round of visits.

We are told that the visitors to the Exhibition are daily increasing, and from the number of the country people whom we constantly meet about the streets in travelling costume, with their large straw hats and other evidences of rural life, we feel sure that to very many of the inhabitants of the Ken, the Exhibition will prove a source of wonder and amusement, and not a few will return to their primitive homes, having obtained their first insight into the vaunted civilization, of which perhaps they may have heard so much, but up to the present have seen so little.

HIOGO.

The *News* warns the public against counterfeit ten-son coins now in circulation.

The local Government is about to erect a cotton mill at Himeji. A portion of the machinery reached Kobe some time ago, and the balance arrived by the *St. Mark*. It is probably that the mill will be in running order before the summer is far advanced. It is a comparatively small affair, we believe.

The *Osaka Nippo* says:—"A dock is to be constructed at the Kobe Railway Station. It will be equal in extent to the Yokohama docks, so that the largest mail steamers may be accommodated. The railway authorities communicated with the Kōsokuninkien at Shinden on the 19th, on this subject, and the latter has transferred to them 1,500 *tsubo* of land, to be applied to the purpose above mentioned."

Silk is one of the most important productions of our country, and we are glad to be able to report that the Empress and the Empress Dowager take great interest in this industry. Mulberry trees have lately been planted in the Aoyama garden, and Messrs. Sasaki and Kamohi have been appointed to attend to the feeding of the silkworms that are being reared by the two Empresses.

The French corvette *Cornet* has been unfortunate with her crew during her stay in Kobe this winter. It is once more our painful duty to record the presence of death amongst her men, the *contemps* this time occurring on the water. On Sunday, the 23rd ult., it blew pretty hard, and towards evening the breeze freshened.

Between seven and eight o'clock, a sampan put off from the *hato*, containing three seamen belonging to the *Uzumaki*, to which vessel they were returning, and a *sendo*. The boat never reached the vessel. As soon as the matter was reported on board, which was on the following morning, the steam-launch was got ready, and search was made. In the course of an hour or two, the sampan was fallen in with. It was in tow of a junk between Higo and Wada, and of its human freight it contained only a single living person, one of the French seamen. The *sendo* and another boat, the third, we are told, was washed overboard the night before, and was in all probability drowned; nothing has been heard of him since. The deceased seaman was buried in the cemetery on Monday afternoon. Several residents, amongst others, the French Vice-Consul, accompanied the body to its final resting place.—*News*.

AFFAIRS IN UPPER BURMA.

We have to hand to-day the Rangoon papers up to the 21st March. The *Gazette* (19 March) fears war, and says there can be very little doubt as to the issue of the present state of our relations with Upper Burma. Our contemporary writes:—

That we are determined to put matters commercially and politically on a thoroughly sound basis, dictating our own terms, and to enforce these terms *vi et armis* if necessary, are equally certain. We may also take it as a foregone conclusion that the attempt of our Government to impose conditions on the young fiend on the Burmese throne will be resented by him as an insult parading to be atoned for by the life of every European in Mandalay. Already his determination to fight has been evinced by his sending large forces towards the frontier—about 7,000 on the Thayetmyo frontier, 3,000 in the Tonghoo direction, and an equal number to the boundary line between Tonghoo and Thayetmyo; at least such are the accounts conveyed to us from up-country from credible sources, although we cannot undertake to vouch for their perfect authenticity. But that there is some foundation for the report we can hardly doubt, as the haste with which reinforcements are being pushed forward from the frontier. B. M. 43rd Light Infantry and a wing of the 89th P. V. Regiment leave this morning for Thayetmyo; also 50 men from H. M. S. *Wild Swan*, 34 men under Lieut. Roper from the same man-of-war having already left yesterday, to man the river gunboat *Irrawaddy* on the frontier station.

The six regiments in garrison were formed into two brigades before leaving, and reviewed by General Knox Gora. There were but few movements on the march, and if their steadiness in the field is to be gauged by that on parade they should be able to give good account of themselves, even before a more dangerous foe than the King of Burma's rabble is likely to prove. Such a large force has not been seen on our parade ground since the last Burmese war.

The 43rd Regiment will leave this on Tuesday morning. The Government steamer *Enterprise* has brought out nine guns for the Mountain Battery, and equipments for nearly forty guns.

The Major-General Commanding has returned to head-quarters.

The *Yankinmaw* with two flats in tow leaves this to-day (21st) for the frontier with H. M. 43rd Regiment and 70 men of the Royal Artillery, the whole under the command of Colonel Cochrane, V. O. The flats are loaded with shot, shell, rockets and supplies.

Major Hawkes goes himself in charge of the Commissariat arrangements of the British Burma Field Force.

The last steamer leaving Rangoon for Mandalay had to refuse passengers for Upper Burma, they came in such crowds. Theebaw has given notice that all the families of subjects of Upper Burma will be executed if their male relations do not at once return; hence this large exodus of Burmese for their native country. We are assured that the execution of people in Mandalay has not ceased, and there is but little doubt Theebaw would carry out his murderous intentions towards the women and children left behind by the men who seek employment in British Burma if they failed to return.

GENERAL GRANT AT SINGAPORE.

(Daily Times, April 1st.)

Early this morning, Singapore was on the *qui vive*, and many were the anxieties after the five o'clock gun had been fired, lest the boom should not be heard of the other which was to announce the arrival of this far corner of the world of the famous General Grant—the brave soldier and eminent statesman, who has presided again and again with success over the destinies of the greatest Republic which the world has ever seen. About 6.30 the expected gun was fired, and at seven o'clock, the Stars and Stripes waved under the B. I. S. N. Co.'s flag, and then residents from all parts resolved that it was high time to betake themselves to Johnston's Pier. There, everything was astir from an early hour. Crowds of natives, Chinese, Klings and Malays, looking imperturbable as usual, thronged around the entrance. A large company of Police lined the way, while the Consul-General and most of the Consuls, many of the officials, and a representative gathering of the European residents found places on the Pier. Captain Mead and three officers of H. M. S. *Modeste* in full dress uniform were there present besides to pay their respects to a soldier whose name will live in history; and a leading enthusiastic officer of the Artillery, regardless of precedent, gallantly marched forth in full-dress costume, and, with anxious glances, scanned the occupants of every boat which arrived at the pier with a view of feasting his eyes upon the eminent gentleman who has honoured Singapore by a visit. The Pier itself was decorated in a very picturesque manner. Evergreens and trees grew as it were out of the wooden sward, and over them waved the Stars and Stripes and Union Jack in friendly union. Happily, too, to add to the scene, ladies—always worshippers of the brave—put in an appearance in its neighbourhood, and awaited with considerate patience the arrival of the expected. About 8 o'clock, from the movements of the steam-launch which was waiting alongside the B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Simla*, which in common with many vessels in the harbour was gaily dressed with bunting, the crowd began to assume that General Grant and his party would shortly embark for shore. This they did soon after eight, accompanied by the Hon. Cecil C. Smith, Colonial Secretary, Major Stander, Consul for the United States, Mr. E. W. Howard, Private Secretary and Lieut. Midwood, 74th Highlanders, A.D.C. to H. E. the Administrator. Upon landing at the Pier, General Grant was introduced to the officials, the Captain of the *Modeste*, and the Consuls, to all of whom a kindly salute was given, but it was not until the name of our deservedly respected townsman, the Hon. H. A. K. Whampoa, was mentioned that General Grant, breaking through reserve, shook hands with more than ordinary cordiality with that gentleman, the General remarking at the same time that he had heard much of Mr. Whampoa and Mr. Whampoa's kindness to all American citizens. The genial nature and hospitality of our veteran Chinese fellow-Colonist is evidently of world-wide repute. The ceremony of introduction over, General and Mrs. Grant took their seats in H. E. the Administrator's carriage, which

was in waiting for them, and drove off to Government House amid the cheering of those assembled, the suite following, accompanied by the leading officials. General Grant and his party will, we understand, remain the guests of H. E. the Administrator and Mrs. Anson for about five days, previous to their departure for Bangkok. This is with them a day of rest comparatively; the dinner party at Government House this evening will, we understand, include only a few leading officials; to-morrow evening a dinner will be given in their honour at Government House, when their guests will probably include the Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils; and at 9.30 P. M., an "At Home" will be held by Mrs. Anson, for which invitations have been issued. On Thursday evening, we understand, the distinguished party will dine with H. H. the Maharajah of Johore at Teyssal. Upon General Grant's arrival here, he was handed an autograph letter from the King of Siam cordially inviting him and his party to Bangkok; and a steamer has, we believe, been chartered to convey them thither, where they will be sure to meet with a brilliant reception.

Accompanying General Grant are Mrs. Grant; his son, Colonel Grant of the U. S. Army; Hon. Mr. Borie, late Secretary of the U. S. Navy; Dr. Keating; Mr. John Russell Young, of the *New York Herald* and Secretary of General Grant; and General A. C. Litchfield, U. S. Consul-General at Calcutta. The last named gentleman accompanies General Grant to Singapore only.

THE RELIGIOUS CELEBRATION AT MACAO.

To the Editor of the "SHANGHAI OVERSEA." Dear Sir,—It was with feelings of the greatest pleasure that I read in your issue of yesterday your very interesting and amusing letter of your Hongkong correspondent Mr. Max O'Leary. Sufficient praise could not be bestowed on him for the exceeding able manner in which he dealt with the arduous task he undertook in describing the Annual Holy Show at Macao, and his noble and just indignation at the sight of the large amount of sacrilege displayed, will, I hope, be shared by many, while his faithful wooden image of the stricken Magdalen, &c., &c., should of course produce a deep impression, and it must be reasonably expected that next year the number of exorcists will increase three-fold.

It is a thousand pities, however, that Hongkong papers do not at all agree with Mr. O'Leary, as will be seen by reference to them. In the *Hongkong Times* of 1875 or 1876 there appeared, I remember, a very detailed narration of the Procession at Macao, and the writer, far from finding anything ridiculous, spoke of it in such terms as only a Catholic himself would have done.

I regret very much the incident which occurred between Max O'Leary and the priest, but he should have known that in Macao they are very particular about it, and sometimes they even send to gaol people who refuse to take off their hats when the Holy Show is passing along. So let him be a little more careful for the future. He must be a rough, unpolished sort of man, very badly brought up, so one is almost inclined to excuse him for his carelessness, but he ought to keep in mind that to be able to imprecise Judas is not such an extraordinary qualification as to entirely compensate for his other imperfections, especially that of writing much about what he does not understand a bit of, although he may understand a great deal about jests, fun, &c.

Who is that Camoes he is speaking of? Luiz de Camoes, the great poet, died in Lisbon, was never buried in Macao, and what he supposed to be Camoes' tombstone was simply the grotto in which he wrote the largest portion of his sublime poem. Camoes was never a coolie-piote, and is as much the contemporary of Ronsard as O'Leary is the contemporary of Milton. Only a few hundred years.

Proceeding farther on with the famous letter, the supposition that the writer must be a sort of brute is thoroughly confirmed. Gracious Heavens! He prays that "the boiler might burst, and the vessel take fire, and every man, woman and child, be burned to death or drowned." Here is a bloody-tempered fellow, indeed! Let us in return pray for his salvation.

As regards the very many delicate compliments he thought wise to address to the Macao people, I beg as a Macaoese myself, to thank him heartily, and for his instruction I would merely mention that a Hongkong paper not long ago said that the Macaoese were a most law-abiding and honest people.

Enclosing my card,
I am, Dear Sir,
Your obedient servant,
D.
Shanghai, 29th March, 1879.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, 4th April, 1879.
OPIUM.—New Patna, cash...\$550
" Old " cash...
" New Benares, cash...530
" Old " cash...
" New Malwa, credit...750

Exchange.
Bank, Wire... 3/6
" 30 days' sight... 3/7
" 6 months' sight... 3/7 1/2

Shares.
Hongkong Bank, 4% prem. \$1,300
Union Ins. Society of Canton, 1% 1,300
North China Ins. Co., Tia. 1.25
China Traders Ins. Co., \$1,800
Yankee Ins. Assoc., Tia. 710
Chinese Insurance Co., \$270
H. K. Fire Ins. Co., \$720
China Fire Ins. Co., \$175
H. K. & W. Dock Co., par
H. K. O. & M. S. Boat Co., \$10 dis.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tia. 17
China Coast S. Nav. Co., Tia. 95, ex div.
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65
China Sugar Refining Co., \$130
Chinese Imperial Loan, \$110
Do. of 1877, 2113

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co's Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, 4th April, 1879.
BAROMETRE.—8 A.M. 30.100
Do. 1 P.M. 30.040
Do. 4 P.M. 30.010
THERMOMETER.—8 A.M. 78
Do. 1 P.M. 80
Do. 4 P.M. 78
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 74
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 74
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 74
Do. Maximum 80
Do. Minimum over night 74

Intimations.

F. HUTCHINGS begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply **BEEF, MUTTON, &c.**, from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

SHOP—WYLLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

To Let.

TO BE LET.

On Shamen—Canton.

THE SPACIOUS PREMISES lately occupied by Messrs OLYPHANT & Co., comprising: DWELLING HOUSE, with GARDEN, TEA and SINK ROOMS attached.

For Particulars, apply to

EDWARD DAVIS,

Canton.

Canton, March 12, 1879. ap12

TO LET.

OFFICES on the FIRST FLOOR, No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Apply to

J. NOBLE,

No. 8, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, March 13, 1879. ap13

TO LET—AT WANCHAI.

FIRST CLASS GODOWNS.

Goods of every description Landed and Stored.

For terms, apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, April 4, 1879. j74

TO LET.

HOUSES, Nos. 3 and 6, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

TO LET.

OFFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS.

The BUNGALOW No. 8, OLD BAILEY STREET.

Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

TO LET.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable for OFFICES and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central.

Possession 1st March next.

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East—

FIRST FLOORS of Nos. 2, 3 and 4, Praya East, with immediate possession.

As also,

A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier, with part of its spacious Verandah. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also,

A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, March 4, 1879.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to

TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to

WO HANG,

Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West.

Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

MAILS.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH AMPTON, AND LONDON;

ALSO

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship **TRIBET**, Captain J. R. TORBOUR, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 12th April, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 27, 1879. ap32

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer ALASKA will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 15th April, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES TO EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of 14th April. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 8, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 21, 1879. ap15

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCOIS

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,

ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT

SAID, NAPLES, AND

MARSEILLES;

ALSO,

BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND

PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 19th April, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. **ANADYR**, Commandant BRENET, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 18th April, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, April 7, 1879. ap10

Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. OCEANIC will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on or about May 5th, 1879, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 4th May. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 1, 1879. my6

Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHRS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, have this Day taken over charge of the Hongkong Agency, and are prepared to grant INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

Insurances.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Kiosks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Five Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to Grant Policies against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premium for Life Insurances in China.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000 " Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000 " Annual Income £ 250,000 "

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. (FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

Agents, Hongkong & Canton,

Hongkong, January 4, 1879.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Arratoon Apar.	a	Milne	Brit. str.	1392	April 5	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	16th, 3 p.m.
Bombay	1	Webb	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	Amoy	Sands' Slip
Cheang Hock Kian	1	Webb	Brit. str.	956	Mar. 14	Bun Hin Chan	Hollo	To-day
Dale	3	Thompson	Brit. str.	654	April 2	Yuen Fat Hong	Coast Ports	18th, daylight
Douglas	5	Young	Brit. str.	864	April 6	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Manila	To-day
Esmeralda	5	Cullen	Brit. str.	395	April 8	Russell & Co.	Manila	Tug Flying
Fame	6	Stapani	Brit. str.	117	.....	H. K. & W'poe Dock Co.	.....	.....
Ferona	2	Schulze	Brit. str.	1115	April 5	Stamson & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Hwai Yuen	4	Wilson	Chil. str.	924	April 9	M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Leyte	5	Zobacquire	Span. str.	312	April 8	Russell & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Loudon Castle	2	Marshall	Brit. str.	1615	April 9	Adamson, Ball & Co.	Manila	K'loon Dock
Marveles	1	Munoz	Span. str.	425	Mar. 27	Remedios & Co.	Yokohama & Higo	16th, 3 p.m.
Merionethshire	1	Ricards	Brit. str.	1254	April 9	Dunn, Melbye & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Monay	5	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	April 5	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Ningpo.	4	Cass	Brit. str.	761	April 9	Stamson & Co.	Manila	12th inst.
Norma	2	Walker	Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong	Europe, &c.	Mails, 12th
Olympia	5	Nagel	Ger. str.	777	April 6	Remedios & Co.	Manila	.....
Penedo	5	Cain	Brit. str.	652	April 9	Melchers & Co.	Manila	.....
Pernambuco	5	Clyde	Brit. str.	643	April 8	Melchers & Co.	Salgon	.....
Sea Gull	5	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.	Salgon	.....
Thibet	5	Torbeck	Brit. str.	1671	April 8	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	.....
Tung Ting	4	Hawthorne	Chi. str.	314	April 8	C. M. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	.....
Zephyr	1	Hauer	Brit. str.	.....	.....	Russell & Co.	Europe, &c.	.....
Sailing Vessels								
Abbie N. Franklin	4	Howes	Amer. bge.	460	Mar. 6	Captain	San Francisco	.....
B. F. Watson	3	Hawkins	Amer. bge.	1126	Mar. 18	Butterfield & Swire	San Francisco	.....
Black Hawk	3	Howland	Amer. sh.	459	Jan. 18	Vogel & Co.	Singapore	.....
Carrie Wyman	5	Randell	Amer. bge.	1333	Mar. 18	Meyer & Co.	Singapore	.....
Charmer	5	Lucas	Amer. sh.	1886	Jan. 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	.....
Cilurnum	4	Beagle	Brit. sh.	1886	Mar. 18	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	.....
Coeran	3	.....	Amer. sch.	1886	July 18	W. H. Ray	Japan	.....
Edward May	7	Johnson	Amer. bge.	928	April 8	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	.....	.....
Emil Julius	4	Jurgensen	Ger. bge.	501	Mar. 19	Melchers & Co.	.....	.....
Emilio V. Y.	8	Merallo	Ital. bge.	724	Mar. 28	D. Munro & Co.	.....	.....
Formosa	4	Burgwaldt	Ger. sm. co.	282	Feb. 6	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	.....
Friedrich Perthes	3	Walter	Ger. bge.	446	April 8	Stamson & Co.	.....	.....
Golden Fleeco	1	Walthre	Brit. bge.	893	April 10	Gilman & Co.	.....	.....
Golden Rule	4	Lewis	Amer. sh.	1195	Mar. 7	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Higlander	1	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 18	Vogel & Co.	.....	Wanchai Pier
Jacobine	3	Bang	Ger. bge.	417	Mar. 18	Captain	.....	.....
Lota	2	Dundfield	Brit. bge.	472	April 8	Order	.....	.....
Penobscot	4	Chirman	Amer. bge.	1193	Feb. 23	Butterfield & Swire	Chefoo & Newchwang	.....
Onida	5	Oliver	Brit. sh.	1283	Mar. 15	Captain	San Francisco	.....
Orange Grove	8	Longmuir	Brit. bge.	335	Mar. 21	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	.....	.....
Republic	8	Holmes	Amer. sh.	1351	Mar. 9	Captain	Honolulu	.....
Stracathro	4	Miller	Brit. bge.	1159	Dec. 17	Vogel & Co.	London	.....
Sumaride	3	Tobiasen	Norw. sh.	943	Jan. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	.....
Sumatra	3	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
Taiwan	4	Jessen	Ger. bge.	373	Jan. 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....	.....
Thos. A. Goddard	3	Smith	Amer. bge.	682	Jan. 9	Russell & Co.	New York	.....
Thomas Fletcher	3	Pendleton	Amer. bge.	645	Feb. 23	Captain	Victoria (V. I.)	.....
Uranos	7	Berg	Norw. bge.	490	Mar. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Bangkok	.....
Victory	4	Whiting	Brit. bg	255	April 5	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	.....	.....
W. H. Holcomb	4	Dunton	Amer. bge.	868	Mar. 28	Rozario & Co.	.....	Coastal Dock
WHEAMFOA								
Johann Friedrich	.....	Kroncke	Ger. bg	242	Mar. 31	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....